

THREE OF THESE CANDIDATES WILL BE ELECTED TO SCHOOL BOARD FRIDAY

The following biographical sketches of the 15 candidates running for the Board of Education are being published by the Torrance Press as a public service in order to give voters a background on the candidates seeking public office. The sketches are in alphabetical order.

CECIL ALTER, 46, of 2220 Arlington ave., real estate salesman and vice-president of Alter Building Co. and Alter Realty

and Insurance; **Place of Birth**—Rensselaer, Indiana; four years in Torrance; **Education**—high school and South Bend College of Commerce (business administration major); **Family**—Helen (wife), two children Barbara June, 14; Patsy Jo, 12. **Former Occupations**—crane operator, Chicago real estate and insurance, Indiana; **Organizations**—Torrance Lodge F and AM of California No. 447, Torrance Lomita realty board; **Armed Forces**—Indiana National Guard, 1932-1939.

JOSEPH G. ARNOLD, 56, of 1551 Post, purchasing agent with Chicago Bridge & Iron Co. (35 years of service by Nov. 23, 1956); **Place of Birth**—Winfield, Kansas; 10 years in Torrance; **Family**—Eva Mae (wife), Mrs. Eva Jo Hoffman of Torrance (daughter) and four grandchildren; **Organizations**—Rotary, Torrance YMCA director, Torrance Board of Education (incumbent), Torrance Elks lodge, Al Malaikah shrine; **Armed Forces**—served as construction superintendent for Chicago

Bridge and Iron Co. 1942-43 constructing floating dry dock for Navy Dept. at Newburgh, New York; **Hobbies**—hunting and fishing.

WILLIAM C. BOSWELL, 37, of 2842 Onrado, assistant publications manager, North American Aviation; **Place of Birth**—Louisville, Kentucky, 10 years in Torrance; **Education**—Hollywood high school, extension courses at Loyola university, Los Angeles City College; **Family**—Mary (wife), Pamela Frances, 6 (daughter); **Former**

Occupations—18 years with North American, both in Los Angeles and Kansas City, Mo.; **Organizations**—former member of ACCENT; Theatre, production manager, member of Aircraft Industry Advisory Committee to Los Angeles Trade Technical School and El Camino for technical writing courses.

DONALD H. BRUNET, 38, of 101 Via Monte D'Oro, machine shop instructor, San Pedro high school; **Place of Birth**—Downers Grove, Illinois; eight months in Torrance, 35 years

in Los Angeles and vicinity; **Education**—Los Angeles high school, UCLA (engineering), Long Beach state college and UCLA summer school and extension (education); **Family**—Dorothy (wife), children Elizabeth Ann, 18, Carole Enid, 17, Jeanne Elaine, 16, Marion Dorothy, 13, and Donald Joe, 9; **Former Occupations**—apprentice and journeyman machinist, leadman, night foreman, tool and die maker (Hydril corporation, Joshua Hendy Iron works, Arrowsmith Tool and Die);

Hobby—photography.

MRS. NANCY ANNE CARPENTER, 36, of 1014 Kornblum, housewife; **Place of Birth**—Little Rock, Arkansas, in Torrance 4½ years; **Education**—high school, Washburn college (Topeka, Kansas, education major), radio writing course, Denver University; **Family**—Philip (husband), Jeffrey, 9, Mark, 6, (sons); **Former Occupations**—elementary teacher, one year, (Spring Hill, Kansas), bullet inspector for Remington Arms, radio operator for Eastern Air Lines; **Organizations**—Red Cross lady.

DR. DONALD G. CORTUM, physician-surgeon (osteopath), 31, of 333 Calle de Andalucia; **Place of Birth**—Aurora, Illinois in California since 1937; **Education**—Compton Union high school, Muskingum college (New Concord, Ohio, ASTP), Compton college (associate of arts degree), University of Southern California (bachelor of arts), College Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, Los Angeles (doctor of osteopathy), internship at Magnolia hospital in Long Beach; **Family**—Marlyn June (wife) and (children) Michelle Marie, 5, Mark Steven, 3, Donald Gregory, 1½; **Organizations**—secretary of Bay Harbor Osteopathic Society, secretary of Tumor Board and Registry, Long Beach Osteopathic Hospital inc., on hospital staff of Gardena hospital, Bay Cities Community hospital and Magnolia-Los Carritos; **Armed Forces**—volunteered for the Army (January, 1943), anti-aircraft; ASTP at Muskingum college; 102nd Infantry; landed in Normandy, 1944; action on Siegfried line, in France, Germany, Belgium, Holland, and edge of the Bulge; discharged as s/sgt. at end of war; under orders to proceed to officers' candidate school; **Clubs**—member of Iota Tau Sigma and Sigma Sigma Phi.

CYDE C. HASLET, 41, of 4915 Milne dr., accountant, Hughes Aircraft; **Place of Birth**—East Hickory, Penn. 5½ years in Torrance; **Education**—high school, University of Pittsburgh (business administration), Western Reserve University, Cleveland (business administration); **Family**—(wife) Mary Ann, (children) Thomas Earl, 7, David Albert, 4; **Former Occupations**—assistant to budgets and standards director (National Tube Co.), controller (Dresser Industries, Schwien Engineering Co.); **Organizations**—National Association of Cost Accountants, Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles Credit Managers association, trustee and deacon of St. Andrews Presbyterian church; **Armed Forces**—army.

JOHN K. KESSON, 54, of 2015 W. 182nd st., independent oil producer (Kesson-Snyder Co.); **Place of Birth**—Denver, Colorado, in Torrance 20 years; **Education**—high school and two years of business college; **Family**—(wife) Ramona, (children) Kenneth Allen, (teacher) and Gloria Noble (vice principal); **Former Occupations**—driller, superintendent of drilling; **Organizations**—Masonic Lodge, director for North Torrance Red Cross, Lions club; president of North Torrance Civic Improvement association.

DR. WARREN H. LOW, optometrist, contact lens specialist, 38, of 2806 Eldorado st.; **Place of Birth**—San Francisco, in Torrance 2 years; **Education**—Stanford University (bachelor of science and master of arts); College of Optometry, University of Southern California (doctor of optometry); UCLA, Naval Midshipman school, Boston, Mass.; **Family**—single; **Former Occupations**—lieutenant, U. S. Navy, director of eye clinic, Sasebo, Kyushu, southern Japan, eye clinic Permanente Medical Group, San Pedro. **Organizations**—Torrance American Legion, Torrance Chamber of Commerce, board of directors, Stanford Alumni association, Elks, Masonic Lodge, Torrance Toastmasters, U. S. Naval Reserve, Lions, secretary of Toastmasters, former president of Forum Speakers Group of Long Beach Chamber of Commerce, former president of Stanford alumni group in Japan; **Armed Forces**—U. S. Navy, lieutenant, Navy eye clinic.

CLAIR W. OLSEN, 45, of 1308 Cordary ave., weigh master for Columbia-Geneva (U.S.) Steel; **Place of Birth**—Seattle, Washington, in Torrance 14 years; **Education**—high school, University of Southern California and La Salle University, Chicago (traffic management major); **Family**—(wife) Bertha, (children) Carl, 20, Deanna, 13, Donald, 13; **Former Occupations**—with U. S. Steel 22 years, holding various positions from labor to traffic representative; **Organizations**—Masonic lodge, Acacia club; four years on Torrance Recreation Commission.

DARWIN D. PARRISH, 57, of 405 Via Linda Vista, merchant (stationery store); **Place of Birth**—Astoria, Illinois, in Torrance nine years; **Education**—high school; **Family**—(wife) Helen, (children) James Wood and Geraldine Wood; **Organizations**—Kiwanis club and former board member; Masons, director of Chamber of Commerce; director for Volunteers for Children; member of Board of Education; **Armed Forces**—staff-sergeant, 1942-45, set up

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